



# Call for Presentations

## 32nd International Forum on Traffic Records and Highway Information Systems

JW Marriott Desert Springs  
Palm Desert, California - July 30 – August 3, 2006



As the largest conference in the world of its kind, the Traffic Records Forum brings together professionals who are involved in all aspects of collecting, managing, and using highway safety data. The Traffic Records Program is developed by **ATSIP**. The Program varies from year to year based on current trends and needs. Generally, you will be able to get information on traffic safety data:

- Usage
- Collection
- Analysis
- Current and Emerging Technology
- Current Systems and Programs
- Research
- Current Issues and Emerging Needs

The Traffic Records Forum is filled with **exhibits, workshops, seminars and presentations** on topics of interest to the traffic safety data collectors, community and those that utilize traffic safety data in their field. **Forum Attendees include** state Departments of Transportation, Motor Vehicles, Highway Traffic Safety Offices, Public Safety and Health, state and local law enforcement officials, engineers, Fire and EMS officials, judicial administrators, and highway safety personnel from across the United States and international communities.

Attendees can:

- Attend sessions for the latest safety data collection methods, and best practices
- Learn how to produce more accurate traffic records and highway safety data
- Find out how to organize and operate a successful traffic records committee
- Discuss the latest safety data collection software, hardware and other products
- Network with a variety of transportation and highway safety professionals
- Discover how better data can help save lives

***Hosted and Sponsored by:***

National Safety Council

***Co-Sponsored by:***

U.S. Department of Transportation  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Federal Highway Administration  
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration  
Bureau of Transportation Statistics

Concerned Government and Industry Partners also sponsor the Traffic Records Forum.

**This Year's Program Chair: Joan Vecchi of the Colorado Motor Vehicle Department.**

*See the December ATSIP Newsletter or ATSIP website for full Program Details.*

**The 2006 Forum** will feature sessions on the challenges and opportunities of improving traffic records systems with implications for SAFETEA-LU Section 408. Submissions are ***encouraged*** in the areas of:

**Re-defining the Traffic Records System:** Individual states are striving toward integration and linking of the various components of traffic records. Presentations of special interest: maximizing scarce resources by sharing of technology and systems which already exist.

**New Opportunities to Develop Traffic Records Systems:** What most of us involved in government have been forced to do is to build our systems component by component as the funding becomes available then force the linkages later. Following the reauthorization of funds via Safetea-LU, there would appear to be funding available to build new data systems. We should be planning for “comprehensive” systems which can provide the data necessary to make informed public policy and highway safety decisions.

**Continuing to Provide a Forum for Sharing Among Data Practitioners:** In every aspect of traffic record collection and use, we have experienced successes and failures. This Forum will look at the types of research that are being conducted and what data is being used, as well as what is missing; concerns about data accessibility and privacy will be addressed; prioritization of data being collected; future potential of new ways of reviewing the data.

**Enhancing Decision-making Capabilities through Data Improvements:** Decision-making for traffic safety is currently dependent in large part on information provided about fatal accidents. We have traditionally overlooked, to a large extent, information that can be gleaned about crash causation through the study of injury accidents. What can be learned by extending our view to include factors in these accidents?

**Emerging Problems and Technology:** Example Topics: Aging Motorists, Driver Testing, etc.

**Providing Awareness of Privacy and Other Legal Issues Regarding Safety Data:** The growing number of data needs in traffic safety is being matched by the evolving concerns about data warehousing and data mining. Concerns are beginning to be voiced about the information that will be collected and aggregated relative to the Real ID law governing driver licenses. We must be aware of the concerns and be prepared to answer, in order to maintain the effective and efficient use of the data that is available to us.

### **Submitting Your Presentation/Session:**

Submissions can be for 20 minute Presentations, Full 1 ½ hour or 2 hour Sessions. Session submissions should include information on all included presenters/presentations.

**To have your presentation/session ideas considered for inclusion, you will need to provide:** the Submitter’s Information (Name, E-Mail Address, Organization’s Name, Full Mailing Address, Telephone Number, Fax Number), Name(s) of Presenter(s), E-Mail address(es), Title(s) of Presentation(s), a two sentence description of your presentation/session for the Final Program, a paragraph or two explaining what will be presented, and a one-paragraph speaker bio/resume for each presenter.

**Submissions will be accepted online.** A link is available on the ATSIP homepage, [www.atsip.org](http://www.atsip.org) or you can go directly to [www.nsc.org/forms/trf/call\\_presentation.cfm](http://www.nsc.org/forms/trf/call_presentation.cfm)

***SUBMISSIONS MUST BE MADE BY JANUARY 31, 2006.***

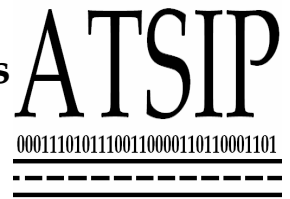
**NOTE!** If you are aware of someone else whom you feel would provide an interesting presentation, please share this Call for Presentations with that person, or forward their name, address and phone number to [pappasn@nsc.org](mailto:pappasn@nsc.org).



# Call for Training

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What we are seeking are training sessions that will give the attendees a better understanding of a topic and allow them to take a working knowledge back to their office. This year we are looking for trainers that would be willing to share their expertise in topic areas rather than on a specific product. Instead of teaching me how to drive a Cadillac, could you teach me how to drive a car and point out what the best features are for me to look for?

For example, instead of an individual training on their electronic crash program, we would like is someone that can share how a crash module should work. What should I look for when I look at crash modules? We all know that MMUCC is here to stay but what do we actually know about MMUCC? Is there someone that can share what impact it has on data? How do we find and interpret the information in the manual?

### **We are seeking experienced trainers in the following areas:**

1. Crash analysis software. How do we use the data that is gathered? What is available to us?
2. GIS Software. What is it, how does it work and how can I apply it?
3. MMUCC. How will the new TEA impact MMUCC requirements? How do we interpret them?
4. XML. What kind of foreign language is it? What will this type of program give me that no other one will?

To submit your name as a trainer, please send a resume with your qualifications and speaking history in a word file to Nicole Pappas at [pappasn@nsc.org](mailto:pappasn@nsc.org). The information will be forwarded to the Training Chair, Tom Hollingsworth. Please include: Name, Title, Organization Name, Full Mailing Address, Telephone Number, Fax Number, E-Mail address. Mr. Hollingsworth will contact you about your qualifications and availability.